

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE; et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE
SERVICE; DEBRA ANNE HAALAND,
U.S. Secretary of the Interior,

Defendants-Appellees,

and

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA; et al.,

Intervenor-Defendants-
Appellees,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants-Appellants,

and

AMERICAN FOREST RESOURCE
COUNCIL; et al.,

Movants.

No. 21-16382

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00344-JSW
Northern District of California,
Oakland

ORDER

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS; et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR;
et al.,

Defendants-Appellees,

and

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA; et al.,

Intervenor-Defendants-
Appellees,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants-Appellants,

and

AMERICAN FOREST RESOURCE
COUNCIL; et al.,

Movants.

No. 21-16383

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00349-JSW
Northern District of California,
Oakland

NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE
COUNCIL, INC.,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR;
et al.,

Defendants-Appellees,

and

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA; et al.,

Intervenor-Defendants-
Appellees,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants-Appellants,

and

AMERICAN FOREST RESOURCE
COUNCIL; et al.,

Movants.

No. 21-16384

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00561-JSW
Northern District of California,
Oakland

DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE; et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE
SERVICE; DEBRA ANNE HAALAND,
U.S. Secretary of the Interior,

Defendants,

STATE OF UTAH,

Intervenor-Defendant,

and

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, INC.; SAFARI CLUB
INTERNATIONAL,

Intervenor-Defendants-
Appellants,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants.

No. 22-15529

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00344-JSW
Northern District of California,
Oakland

DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE; et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE
SERVICE; DEBRA ANNE HAALAND,
U.S. Secretary of the Interior,

Defendants,

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, INC.; SAFARI CLUB
INTERNATIONAL,

Intervenor-Defendants,

and

STATE OF UTAH,

Intervenor-Defendant-
Appellant,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants.

No. 22-15532

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00344-JSW
Northern District of California,
Oakland

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS; et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR;
et al.,

Defendants,

STATE OF UTAH,

Intervenor-Defendant,

and

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, INC.; SAFARI CLUB
INTERNATIONAL,

Intervenor-Defendants-
Appellants,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants.

No. 22-15534

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00349-JSW
Northern District of California,
Oakland

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS; et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR;
et al.,

Defendants,

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, INC.; SAFARI CLUB
INTERNATIONAL,

Intervenor-Defendants,

and

STATE OF UTAH,

Intervenor-Defendant-
Appellant,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants.

No. 22-15535

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00349-JSW

NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE
COUNCIL, INC.,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

No. 22-15536

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00561-JSW

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR;
et al.,

Defendants,

STATE OF UTAH,

Intervenor-Defendant,

and

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, INC.; SAFARI CLUB
INTERNATIONAL,

Intervenor-Defendants-
Appellants,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants.

NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE
COUNCIL, INC.,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR;
et al.,

Defendants,

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, INC.; SAFARI CLUB

No. 22-15537

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00561-JSW

INTERNATIONAL,

Intervenor-Defendants,

and

STATE OF UTAH,

Intervenor-Defendant-
Appellant,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS; et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR;
et al.,

Defendants-Appellants,

and

RED CLIFF BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR
CHIPPEWA INDIANS,

Defendant,

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, INC.; et al.,

No. 22-15626

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00349-JSW

Intervenor-Defendants,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

Movants.

NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE
COUNCIL, INC.,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR;
et al.,

Defendants-Appellants,

and

RED CLIFF BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR
CHIPPEWA INDIANS,

Defendant,

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA, INC.; et al.,

Intervenor-Defendants,

v.

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU
FEDERATION; et al.,

No. 22-15627

D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00561-JSW

Movants.	
DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE; et al., Plaintiffs-Appellees, v. UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE; DEBRA ANNE HAALAND, U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Defendants-Appellants, and NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, INC.; et al., Intervenor-Defendants, v. AMERICAN FARM BUREAU FEDERATION; et al., Movants.	No. 22-15628 D.C. No. 4:21-cv-00344-JSW Northern District of California, Oakland

These cases shall continue to be held in abeyance. The Clerk is directed to temporarily close this court's docket for administrative purposes until February 02, 2024. This administrative closure is not a decision on the merits and no mandate will issue in connection with this order.

At any time, any party may request that these appeals be reopened.

A dial-in telephone conference will be held on January 16, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Time.

Each participant will receive an email with dial-in information.

On or before May 1, 2023; August 1, 2023; and November 1, 2023, counsel for the United States Fish and Wildlife Service shall provide a status report by email to the Circuit Mediator (Robert_Kaiser@ca9.uscourts.gov). Counsel are requested to include the Ninth Circuit case name and number in the subject line. The status report should not be filed with the court.

FOR THE COURT:

By: Robert S. Kaiser
Circuit Mediator